

He was the Senior Instructor for the Sapper Leader Course at Fort Leonard Wood, a demanding 28-day training regimen and the premier leadership course for combat engineers. After retiring from military service, he was a consultant and Training Supervisor for the IED Division of Counter Explosive Hazards Center on Fort Leonard Wood.

His awards and decorations include: The Legion of Merit, (with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster) Bronze Star Medal (with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster); Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters); Army Commendation Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Cluster); Army Achievement Medal (with 5 Oak Leaf Clusters); Good Conduct Medal (10th Award); Army Occupation Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Korea Defense Service Medal; Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal; NCO Professional Development Ribbon (4); Overseas Service Ribbon (4); Army Service Ribbon; Ranger Tab; Sapper Tab; Master Parachutist Badge; Air Assault Badge; Drill Sergeant Badge; French Commando Badge; Canadian Parachutist Badge; and German Bronze Marksmanship Badge. He also was awarded the DeFleury Bronze and Silver Medal of the Army Corps of Engineer.

CSM Falaniko and his family are a Gold Star Family; his son, Jonathan Falaniko, was tragically killed in action of Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2003. CSM Falaniko was buried with his son, at Arlington National Cemetery on April 19, 2022. May these father and son heroes rest in peace.

HONORING JASON BOUDREAUX,
JALEAHA JOSEPH, AND
SHONTENAISHA MANUEL AS 2022
C-SPAN STUDENTCAM COMPETITION WINNERS

HON. CLAY HIGGINS

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 21, 2022

Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana. Madam Speaker, I would like to honor three constituents of mine who were recently recognized as winners of the C-SPAN StudentCam documentary competition.

Jason Boudreaux, Jaleaha Joseph, and Shontenaisha Manuel, students at College Street Vocational Center in Lake Charles, LA, were chosen as first prize winners in the Central region. The students were tasked with explaining how the federal government impacts their daily lives, and they competed against thousands of other participants across the nation.

Jason, Jaleaha, and Shontenaisha's documentary, "FEMA's Impact on Our Lives in Southwest Louisiana," was powerful and moving. The students highlighted the devastating impacts of Hurricanes Laura and Delta and shared their personal experiences with FEMA as their families sought to recover. Their stories and experiences are those shared by many families across Southwest Louisiana. However, despite the devastation to our community, the students also showcased the strength and resilience of Louisiana's citizenry.

I commend these students for their hard work, determination, and exemplary storytelling abilities.

They crafted a powerful narrative that told the story of Southwest Louisiana and thoughtfully explained FEMA's role in our recovery mission.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the citizens of Louisiana's 3rd District, I congratulate Jason Boudreaux, Jaleaha Joseph, and Shontenaisha Manuel on their achievements in the C-SPAN StudentCam documentary competition. I thank them for sharing their stories, and I wish each of them great success in the future.

IN RECOGNITION OF MARY
DIERICH

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 21, 2022

Ms. McCOLLUM. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate Mary Dierich on her recent selection as a 2022 Fellow of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP).

AANP Fellows have a direct impact on the communities they serve by engaging with nurse practitioners (NPs) from around the country to lead new initiatives while also supporting the mission of AANP. Additionally, these Fellows play a critical role in the mentorship and development of other NPs. At a time when every level of our health care sector is struggling with recruitment and retention, this cultivation of talented NPs is absolutely essential to our entire health infrastructure.

Mary is a stellar embodiment of what an AANP Fellow should be. A proud holder of multiple degrees from the University of Minnesota, including a PhD from the School of Nursing, Mary was a Clinical Associate Professor at her alma mater for over sixteen years. She has also worked on the frontlines at HealthPartners for the last fourteen years serving as a Geriatric Nurse Practitioner. In the early days of the pandemic, Mary was a critical resource to me and my office as we sought real-time analysis from frontline workers who saw COVID-19 unfold. This was helpful to understand the PPE shortages facing health care professionals and the resources they needed to keep our communities safe. We all owe a debt of gratitude to Mary and her fellow frontline workers for the amazing selflessness they have exhibited over the last two and a half years.

It is no wonder why Mary Dierich has been selected for this prestigious opportunity at AANP. I look forward to AANP's Induction Ceremony which will take place in Orlando, Florida on June 23, 2022. Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring the achievements of a great nurse practitioner and a beloved member of my family.

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF
LISA TROLAN

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 21, 2022

Mr. COURTNEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend the career of Lisa Trolan,

who retired from her work with General Dynamics Electric Boat, on December 23, 2021.

Madam Speaker, Ms. Trolan retires from a long, dedicated career that spans 35 years with Electric Boat. As a senior member of Electric Boat's Public Affairs team, Lisa welcomed thousands of visitors to the company's locations in Connecticut and Rhode Island and helped to highlight the skilled workforce of technological marvels produced by Electric Boat. In doing so, Lisa has acted as a staunch advocate for our community, representing a major employer within the region to attract businesses, suppliers, and employees alike.

A Groton, Connecticut native and a graduate of the University of Connecticut, Lisa has lived out a destiny of nurturing the growth of the very community that raised her. These foundational values trace all the way back to her upbringing under her parents, Julio and Frances, who also served the Town of Groton well through their longstanding, respective roles with Groton Utilities and the Public School system. It is no coincidence that Electric Boat's Connecticut headquarters is in Groton. It is also no surprise that even in retirement, Lisa remains an active supporter of local civic organizations as well as the University of Connecticut.

Madam Speaker, Lisa's legacy with Electric Boat—one of excellence and commitment to its employees, the Navy and the nation—is unrivaled. She has always prioritized giving back to her foundations and has played a direct part in adding oil to the economic engine that is Electric Boat. With his departure, our region and Electric Boat can find comfort in the sound supply chain infrastructure that he directly brought about. To that end, I ask that my colleagues in the House join me in congratulating Lisa Trolan on her well-earned retirement.

INTRODUCTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY OFFICER PROTECTION ACT OF 2022

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 21, 2022

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I introduce the Department of the Treasury Officer Protection Act of 2022. This bill would help ensure the safety of Treasury Department police officers by allowing them, including those who work at the Mint and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP), to carry their government firearms home.

BEP officers were among the first responders when a gunman opened fire at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in 2009. However, BEP officers also can be targets because they wear uniforms to and from work. Many BEP officers carry personal firearms to and from work because they are not allowed to take their government firearms home, and some are forced to leave those personal firearms in their cars while they are on duty, creating a possibly dangerous situation.

Allowing BEP officers to carry their government firearms home will put them in the same position as Mint officers. Although both agencies are under the Treasury Department, under Treasury Department rules, Mint officers are allowed to carry their government firearms